

**MAPPING TRAVEL ROUTES****ABSTRACT**

- 5 A method and implementing computer system are provided in which route mapping for vehicles is determined between starting and destination points designated by an operator. Selected mapping is determined in accordance with operator selected travel-related criteria and augmented with traffic-
- 10 related information. In one embodiment, after an initial route is set, the route is automatically updated whenever the vehicle strays from the set course, or whenever there is a change detected in related traffic conditions, or whenever subsequent changed travel points are input by the operator.
- 15 The travel route and other related messaging may be conveyed to the operator by audio and/or visual means onboard the vehicle.